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If our friends who favor us with refected articles returned they must TELEPHONE, HEEKMAN 2200.

The Issue.

Armed neutrality against armed brutality. Gop defend the right!

Act Early and Avoid the Bush.

While the new cloture rule adopted from time immemorial, it probably display a similar disinterestedness. would not have defeated last week's

Unless the purpose of the malconhave been sufficient to carry along the tion in the Executive Department. discussion to the time of the adjournment of Congress. The margin of safety at best would have been

the less, but Presidents desiring to the sightless victims of the war. put business over in the last days of the fatal effects of procrastination.

tion of Misrepresentative Mann.

the districts persist in their demand Illinois shall be elected to the ranks instead of to leadership in the Sixtyfifth House. Here is another specimen of the

instructions that are going from conetituents to Congressmen:

dignity of our country; and

Glen Ridge in the Tenth Congress dis- to express go with the title. trict of New Jersey has viewed with concern and alarm the unpatriotic con- for the Lighthouse. duct of Mr. Mann and has deemed his grace and humili our country and to our party; be it

"Resolved, That the Republican Club

but it must have some effect on the sources of supply. action of the Republican Represen-MANN to innocuous desuetude.

Trading Nations.

Secretary were laughing in his sleeve forcement of the others.

of her tonnage. Germany has no time of two wars with Great Britain. It yards are busy with work for the navy. A large part of the world's commerce fter the war. They should save their age as much as possible and prepare

The truth is that if England has lost a large part of her tonnage some of the European neutrals, chiefly Holhave lost more of their tonnage proportionately. The score for February was: British ships sunk, 110; dead set at European neutral shipping. tax of \$35,000,000 on this home prodto deprive Great Britain of cargoes kinds, and then to eliminate competing ships from the trading fleet of the ing \$16,000,000 for an extension of of the humble fourth class postmasworld, for Germany had planned to put as many cargo carriers on the seas when peace was consummated as she possessed before the war.

The United States has never counted voy be deputed to investigate its cam- V. NASSY in the office at "Confederit

return of peace.

What Coalition in the House of Representatives Calls For.

rule that obtains therein to-day? Or example to the rest of the world. would the sacrifice of the Republican lawmakers be accepted without compensatory action at the White House?

fidence of the country. Its lamentable the task. He is now able to report weakness, recognized from the begin-that \$6,500,000 has been pledged, a times on which the nation has entered. Yet while the Republicans in do not look for luxury. the House are soberly considering the by the Senate will vastly improve the from Mr. Wilson or his advisers of -which condemned men to subsist

Executive Department accompanies it. The Democrats cannot expect to parent immediately upon the recep- Not only party expediency but the tion of the armed neutrality bill, the highest considerations of public welamount of freedom of debate retained fare demand that joint action in the under the new rule would possibly legislature be supported by joint ac-

La Gardienne du Phare.

WINIFEED HOLT is back from France and is trying to raise more American mildly, inefficient, The new rule is a good one none money to help along her work among What had been done for the blind

that it does not guard them against heart and sound, some wits is known "lighthouse" system, in which the cen-The Republican Demand for the Elec- tral lamp is a burning desire to mitigate one of the worst of human mis-Without the slightest regard to con- fortunes, and in which the Fresnel siderations of political expediency or lens is represented by a most intellicompromise, the Republican voters in gent method, first renewing hope through personal influence and then that the Hon. James R. Mann of bringing light and happiness through work, has saved thousands from a darkness of soul worse than the darkness of the grave.

When the great war came, with its vast increase in the number of men hoteless without the light that shines only through such help as she can give. Miss Hotz devoted herself to the action both in and out of Congress op- work in France in behalf of the solpowed real preparedness and other meas- diers bilinded in battle. "La Garures designed to uphold the honor and dlenne du Phare," she is called at the Lighthouse in the Rue Daru, and Whereas the Republican Club of blessings beyond the power of words

She has come back for more money

Nothing could be more significant of of Glen Ridge does hereby request you the success of China's war against to vote against Mr. Mann for the posi- opium than the report of George E. tion of either Speaker or Republican Anderson, the American Consul Genleader in the House, or for any other eral at Hongkong, that it is probable responsible position; and we do further that the trade returns of the port respectfully request you to cast your for 1916 are the last in which opium vote for a Speaker and leader who will will be considered "a factor of any uphold by word and act the honor of consequence." Hongkong was one of our country and the patriotic traditions the great oplum markets of the world. It was ceded to Great Britain as a result of the opium war; trade in the This is straight, patriotic talk, and drug was one of its profitable lines of it is coming or is about to come from business, one of the important feathe districts all around. We have tures of its commercial life. The closno idea that it will penetrate the ing of this market means the closing manganese steel integument that pro- of other ports of entry to the drug tects Mr. Mann's political conscience, and the cutting off of the outside

The struggle of China against opium, fatives whose votes are now demanded her "curse of centuries," has been a for the election of Misrepresentative fight against strong foreign as well as internal influences. The exportation. principally from India, had to be Dr. Zimmermann to the Neutral stopped, the growing of the poppy plant in China limited to the mini-There is a rich vein of satire in Dr. | mum, and the Chinese, more addicted ZIMMERMANN'S advice to neutrals to to the drug than any other people. keep their trading ships in the home forced to give up its use. Success in ports out of harm's way. It would carrying out one of these measures almost seem as if the German Foreign was largely contingent upon the en-

The question of the importation of the drug had already been the cause give up; for it is estimated that the total amount paid by China and Eastvation of the poppy plant.

The production of home grown opium was about ten times the for-American, 2; other neutrals, 49. Engleign importation. China in forcing land can afford her loss much better her decree was compelled to deprive than these European neutrals can the owners of some of her richest mated in any case, though the astute stand theirs. For some time the Ger- land of their most profitable crop. man submarine service has made a She was compelled also to give up a and with twofold object: First of all uct, a revenue of which she was much in need. Heavy bribes were offered portion of the citizens know or care of foodstuffs and war material of all for rights to continue the sale of the drug, one company in Shanghai offer- can or a Democrat. It is in the case In the middle of some scenic thrill one

> its privileges. But so earnest and consistent has regret for the iconoclastic advance of been the Government's course that it civil service reform. has just requested that a British en-

very much in the reckoning, not being paign of suppression. It has sent X Roads," the country postmaster rated as a maritime nation, the coast- final orders to the provinces that all has been a figure of light and leading, wise trade excepted. It was adding opium plantations be swept away by a political oracle and perhaps the insult to injury when Dr. ZIMMER- the first of next year, that all trad- only tangible evidence to the inhabi-MANN ignored the shipping losses of ing in opium stop by this month and tants that the Government at Wash-North Sea neutrals and bade them that opium smoking cease by next save their trading vessels for the June. Reports indicate that these great resumption of trade upon the orders were received with much enthusiasm and that all their provisions

will be carried out. China's struggle was one of greatest ever made against a national If the Republican Representatives vice. Her campaign of suppression he is reduced to the commonplace. in the House of the Sixty-fifth Con- was largely a national issue. Its in- That John Jones is postmaster at gress, acting from an exalted sense ception was perhaps not so much in Faraway Falls is no more a tribute of patriotism, submerge their parti- pity for the misery and the wrecks to the glorious political struggles of a sanship and forego the fruits of their that the drugs caused as in the realiz- few more than half its people than is victory at the polls in November by ing sense of the weakness of China as the fact that JIM BROWN is station mutilate the books. The metal plate ago each of these naval cadets volunagreeing to the coalition organization compared with Western nations. In agent. now under discussion at Washington, the end it came to be a genuine desire would their admirable example pro- to benefit the people. The young re-

Helping the Lord to Provide.

The Protestant Episcopal Church President Wilson's Cabinet is com- has succeeded beyond its expectations posed of men selected from approxi- in raising money for the endowment mately half the voting population of of its clergymen's retirement fund. the United States. The others are It started out to accumulate \$5,000, harred from it for political purposes. 000. Bishop LAWRENCE of Massachu-It does not enjoy the respect or con- setts was commissioned to manage ning of Mr. Witson's first term, is sum adequate to provide comfort for a continuing peril in the difficult priests who have worn themselves out in the service of their church. They

Generally the Protestant churches subordination of their unquestioned have been laggard in provision for power and the non-enforcement of the old age of their ministers. The their political rights, no word comes evils of a system-or lack of system situation which has existed there a disposition among Democrats to on the private bounty of individuals or to seek support in unf.millar oc-Condition in the House should not cupations have not been concealed. fillbuster even had the rule then been become a fact unless coalition in the Their effects have not contributed to person; the forlorn hope sometimes the dignity and effectiveness of the results in good. However, forlorn churches themselves. Yet a childlike hopes are not undertaken by persons tents to fillbuster had been made ap- take everything and give nothing. faith that the Lord would provide for his shepherds in the days of their decrepitude has been characteristic of their organization, and has fre- explains, he meant that he never exquently served as a refuge from the tackling of unpleasant facts. It is a inmentable fact that the human agents of this provision have on nuther trade with England. They have merous occasions proved, to put it made enough money, and can afford to bear the loss of English trade.—Dr.

Do all parishes pay the rectors' salaries promptly? There have been stand if their ships cannot be naviinstances in which they did not. As gated to ports of destination, but Dr. a session will, no doubt, take notice in America by this woman of tender business methods have been applied Zimmermann must not confound neuto the later years of the clergy's life. to all the readers of THE SUN. Her it is to be hoped that their beneficent impact may not be withheld in the days of hardest labor.

A Disturbed Grave.

The discovery of a hermetically enled vessel of holy water in an Indian grave near Rochester is not a matter of surprise, even when it is suggested that the burial must have been before 1687, when the Indian village where the grave has been found was destroyed by a French punitive expedition. It is not now a Roman Catholic custom to bury holy water with the dead, although the water is used several times in the ritual of funerals; nor is it likely that it was the custom in the seventeenth cen tury; but there is no rule against it. and the mission priest who put the vessel beside the dead Seneca may have done so to comply with the Inwhat may have been—the times were

variike—a hurried burial. The Senecas were the last of the Five Nations to be reached by the Uncle Sam as a stiff upper lip. missionaries, for their tribe held the western door of the Long House. It was 1656 before Father CHAU-MONOT, one of the martyr Brgagur's lieutenants, arrived among the largest of the Iroquois nations. It may have been he or his companion, Father MENARD, who buried this Indian; or perhaps it was Father Far-MIN, who built the first mission chapel for the Senecas at Gandougarae; or any one of the several Jesuits who labored in the field until the general Iroquols war of 1683, which led to the invasion by the brave but brutal DENONVILLE and the destruction he wrought in 1687.

Just why the vessel should have been dug up and sent to the State Museum we are at a loss to understand. There scarcely can be anything in the grave of a New York Indian, dead only a little more than two centuries, that will add to human the place for objects obtained by what | more hissed. some will term desecration, objects likely to satisfy the curious rather

Political Postmasters Going.

Putting the first and second class postmasters under the protection of by an often not over clean little hand. | theatres do not concern themselves with to replenish hers, as her shipbuilding was a trade that India was loath to civil service rules will, after a time, meet the general approval of the often hears worse where good music is in the liquor traffic considered themcountry, and probably effect some imern Asia for Indian opium above its provement in the service. We may cost price during the continuance of hope as much without deluding ourthe trade was \$2,100,000,000. Finally, selves with the idea that a "reform" however, an agreement was reached in originating in the mind of Mr. Burne-1911 between China and Great Britain son, admittedly the political strate- Wearing Them Higher in Hawaii." by which India was gradually to regist of the Administration, is wholly duce her exportation to the vanishing without political purpose. For the point if China would furnish proof moment it will be criticised only by land and the Scandinavian countries, that she was discontinuing the culti- Republicans who see Democrats intrenched in office, and their place anyway is in the outer darkness weeping and gnashing their teeth.

> The importance of the post office in carrying elections is much overesti-Mr. FRANK HITCHCOCK has demon- shawl or sweater, hatless and carrying strated its success in controlling a some package from a nearby grocer. national convention. In towns of over 50,000 people only a negligible prowhether the postmaster is a Republi-

Ever since the days of PETROLEUM

ington still lives. Leader in political battles, honored by the reception of periodical letters from the Congressman, the regular recipient of the Congressional Record and pub. docs. innumerable, he formed a bond between the people and the State. Now

The old order changes, giving place to new, and before long the job of duce in the Executive Department a public has won a great victory and at postmaster may be as inglorious and reaction against the extreme party the same time has set an admirable perfunctory as that of president of a national bank.

> O'GORMAN, WORKS and CLAPP ought to call an extra session of their own.

We beg leave to call the attention of the Democrats of this State to the fact that one Lindley M. Gamuson, a genuine Democrat who formerly voted in Jersey City, has taken an apartment in Manhattan.

SCOTT NEARING has been "forced" out his advocacy of the peace that Potsdam preaches. Professor Nearing is learned professions.

town, being asked if he would try to of anger and dismay, coming from the defend one dear to him in case an outrageous assault were attempted, replied that he was not accustomed to physical exertion, and consequently his intervention would only result in his getting a licking. Yet even this diversion might save the threatened who stop to count the cost of black ened eyes and cracked heads.

When BILL STONE said that he never plains in less than a column and a

Neutral shipowners should give u ZIMMERMANN.

The loss of trade they will have to tral shipowners with their Governments. The right to trade with shricked the occupant of seat 2,001. belligerents is the principle contended for by the neutral shipowners; even the right to carry contraband subject to the risk of capture and destruction or confiscation. The German Foreign question from a point of view that it is the neutral Governments that are selling contraband to the Entente Allies. How different would be the German attitude if neutral ships could be brought into German ports.

The city continues peaceful under the of American sailors .- San-

Carnegie Hall is succeeding to the reputation of Cooper Union as a place our gates have become accustomed on any occasion, for any cause.

The Eastern Yacht Club of Marbiedian's wish or to add reverence to head should sympathize with the Ger. that they accommodate the public man people. Neither can expel the

There is nothing so becoming

When BENJAMIN C. MARSH exclaimed at Carnegle Hall on Friday evening: "If we must arm, let it be to march on Washington and restore the Government to the people," it was fortunate for him that this nation is not at this moment technically at war. But Mr. MARSH, if he is wise, will keep his eye on the clock.

"BABY CRYING OUTSIDE."

Broadway.

Nation" or "Joan of Are" callore orbitant advance over the advertised are not given, such thrilling serials as price of seats. the "Iron Claw." "Purple Mask," "Crim-

An orchestra? Certainly, piano and these. expected. Some evenings even a little selves independent of popular opinion. singing, the words of the chorus being This assumption, quite aside from thrown on the screen, and it is far general attitude on the evils of the itfrom unpleasant to listen to voices of quor traffic, was responsible for many numerous children singing, be it "My

Even refreshments are sold. Boys go through the audience selling candies. bottled soda and pretzels from a pole. No glass is given with the bottle of soda; direct to the mouth from the bottle; then put the bottle on the floor. A very cosmopolitan audience; on-

iears Italian, Swedish, German, Yiddish and English spoken; quite convenional in dress, the tough guy in his cap, the workingman in overalls or shirt

night in pleasant weather they are left in their carriages on the sidewalk near the ticket seller's window while their mothers pass an hour or two inside. patronize the free lunch. Draw One. sometimes reads the words, "Baby cryters that one feels a certain sort of ing outside," and sees several women arise and rush to the doors. Where on Broadway can equal pleasure be had at any price?

ADOLPH OPPENHEIMER

SEAT 2.001.

A very old man who sat all day long and every day in the large reading room of the library on Fifth avenue puzzled the attendants. He seemed to have a definite object in view. boys brought to his seat, number 2,001, great armfuls of books devoted to descriptive travel. These he sorted over hastily, rejecting the particularly large or small volumes. The remainder he did not read, but opened, apparently at a designated place.

Pulling from his pocket a metal plate the size of the book's page he would lay it upon the page. At first this action brought an attendant quickly on tiptoe. But a moment's nspection disclosed no attempt to had certain holes notched in it, like the cylinders of old fashioned music boxes or the rolls fed nowadays to mechanical pianos,

The old man was extremely suspicious of observation. Yet it was apparent that he possessed in the metal plate with its slits the key to a seeret cipher. But he was at a loss where to apply it.

When the plate was fitted over the right page of the right book there would be revealed in the midst of an account of Italian hill towns or Siberlan steppes or Brazillan cities certain separate words and groups of words reading clearly and intelligently It might be the whereabouts of hidden treasure, it might be of another professorship—this time by a state secret intentionally shrouded from contemporaries, it might be an instruction for the future, it might be elevating martyrdom to one of the mystification proving that Bacon wrote the works of Shakespeare.

vest reading room was An eminently noisy preacher in this frighted one day when a terrible howl very old man occupying sent 2,001. echoed through the room and reverberating back and forth finally lost itself in the blue firmament painted on the lofty celling.

There was a rush to the spot. The right book lay open at the right page. the metal plate covered the page. through the apertures in it the secret gleamed like mysterious streaks and veins of gold in worthless and color-The old man made no effort ess ore. to hide his discovery. Inarticulately he pointed to the gaps in the plate:

> to the time for to come to the aid of the party.

................. "And I paid \$50 for the plate "I paid \$50 and have spent months

from the archives of-the archives-He recovered himself and looked darkly at the surrounding throng, Office is disposed to approach the Then he picked up the plate and hurried away.

THE H. C. OF S. R. O. A Protest Against the Price of Seats at Popular Plays.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: A play has been presented recently as to the American sailor admits the su- travagant in their favorable priticism. Navy Department, had been killed. periority of the American marine as a and the result is that it has become inpossible to secure tickets except at an

exorbitant price. New Yorkers and the stranger within where wild enthusiasm may be had, paying the usual advance of 50 cents enteenth row. For this the managers It Entered His Teeth and Calves, have usually presented the argument putting tickets on sale at the hotels and other agencies so that visitors to the tions long in advance or others who may falsehood I would cite the example of want seats at short rotice may secure the Father of our Country, to whom hour, as were Manet and Monet a astounded at some of them. That this course entirely deprives those who go to the box office of any ished example of truth at any price. not distract us, because Cabanel, Bou- yearned for the publicity

For the play above referred to it is spondent troops with the arrival of am-impossible to secure seats for any per-pie supplies of ammunition, which con-of the younger generation of arrists called it, and it was formance at any of the recognized agen, sisted of powder barrels filled with sand, that intrigues critical fancy. Sincerity slaved away with technical formance at any of the recognized agen, sisted of powder barrels filled with sand, that intrigues critical fancy. Sincerity slaved away with technical filled with sand, that intrigues critical fancy. Sincerity slaved away with technical filled with sand, that intrigues critical fancy. I have applied to every well known ticket agent in the city, and each of which there is one in the New York core; but even stark sincerity does not labors as some of his ferro in turn has explained that he had no. Public Library, the legs were not his necessarily imply the putting forth have asserted. He dietickets—that they were being held back, own. I have seen the letter from Stuart of masterplaces. Before he attained diabetes, the was permethat none were being given to them, thanking the true owner for his kind- his original synthetic power he in the truest sense of but that he could perhaps secure them ness in providing a symmetrical foun- patiently studied Delacroix. Courbet word. When I first so at \$5 apiece, as he would be compelled dation for the bust of the great Presi- and several others. He has achieved queer, sardome old good To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: There to pay within 50 cents of that price to dent and presenting one of the smaller the foundational structure of Courbet, fitting clother, with a are pleasures at a movie theatre on the the speculators. In this way the favor. But is even the cherry tree story to by the newspapers are being used to it was first told by a not very reliable term, same personal charm. "Popular-While pictures of "The Birth of a extert from a careless public an ex- historian long after Washington's death, ity is for dolls," cried Emerson.

It is most unfortunate that no legal son Stain" delight large audiences, and method has as yet been applied to this Farnum, Theda Bara, Virginia Pearson legal remedy can be found. While th knowledge, and a State museum is not heroics more applauded nor villainies theatre tickets are nor in any sense a necessity, all theatres are under govern-Comics featuring Chaplin, Arbuckle, mental regulation, as is evidenced by Conklin, &c., are the delight of the chil- the fact that they must be licensed, yet dren, and at the ticket window one is no State control is exercised over their frequently asked by some eight or ten treatment of the people. It may be year old to "Please take me in"; if that the managers are strictly within the necessary nickel for their rights; that only ethical principles ticket of admission is then handed over are involved and that the owners of

of the conditions which have finally Country, 'Tis of Thee' or "They Are brought that one time tremendous power to its knees and threaten its very ex-istence. The cynical "Well, what are you going to do about it?" has usually brought its answer.

Perhaps the theatrical managers are overplaying the game. THEATRIGOER. NEW YORK, March 8.

Oppression of the Hall Room Boys.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The enforcement of an order issued by the the workingman in overalis or shirt embreched by the state of the stat Tenement House Department as regular Rudyard Kipling, Tod Sloan, John Bristoneous activity a jaded retina fed on serene spring. tenement houses and where there are nore than two families living separately B'Gee Rinehart, Jack Sirocco, Dr. Parkmakes it pretty tough on the "hall room boys." There still is one alternative lor, Sheriff Bob Chanler, Berry Wall, George Moore, Professor of Energy at the first men, who led by boys." There still is one siteriative lor, Sheriit Bob Chamer, Berry Wall, left to them, however, and that is to patronize the free lunch, Draw One.

New York, March 10.

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Course Moore, Professor of Energy at the first line. We will be University of Erotica. It is retained in our loss of the Empress Engent that art contains many art contains many first on the catholic in our loss of the English of the Empress Engent that are catholic in our loss of the English of the Empress Engent that are catholic in our loss of the English of the Empress Engent that are catholic in our loss of the English of the Engl

The Need Will Be Met.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT! Some mes I think the United States need uniting. LOYAL YANKER

AN OFFICER AND A GEN-

TLEMAN. The Case Which the Grayson Nomination Doesn't Recall.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: the spring of 1898 three naval cadets were taking a postgraduate course in naval architecture at the Naval Academy. They had been the honor men their class and had graduated the preceding year, numbers 1, 2 and 3 respectively. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American war they were ordered to the New York, flagship of the West Indian fleet, commanded by Admiral Sampson.

When it was decided to sink the col-Her Merrimac in the channel of Santiteered to take command of a steam launch which was to accompany the Merrimac and to rescue the crew when she had been blown up.

Lots were drawn among them for the honor of commanding the launch and the junior in rank was successful

Although the crew were picked up by a Spanish boat, after the sinking of the Merrimac during the night, this young naval cadet remained in his launch under fire from the Morro and other batteries until the day had so far advanced that he was confident that the crew had either perished or had been otherwise rescued. For this brave and intrepid act he was promoted by Conand conveying a definite direction to gress to the grade of Ensign for exceptional bravery.

A few months thereafter, realizing that his associates, both of whom had been his seniors in rank before his promotion, had both volunteered their the banality of "representation" in art, glimpses of a "reality" denied to at services for command of the launch, and their master is the one man in and that it was by a lucky chance that the history of art who squandered on to look for the contrasts and corre he was selected for the duty, he re- canvas a startling evocation of actuquested the Navy Department to re- ality, whose nose was closest to the what he preached. No painter was duce his number in the Corps of Naval soil. Huysmans was called an "eye" so little affected by personal moods, Constructors, to which they had been by Remy de Gourmont. Paul Cézanne by those variations of temperament transferred from the line, below those is also an eye. of his associates, so that their relative In 1901 we saw at the Champs de "temperament" that he was always rank should be in the order of their Mars Salon a picture by Maurice Denis talking about? If so it was not decgraduation from the academy, and entitled "Hommage & Cezanne," the orative in the rhetorical sense An thereby walving the benefit which had idea of which was manifestly inspired unwearying experimenter, he sold been accorded him by a special act of by Manet's Hommage to Fantin-La- "finished" a picture. His morose land Congress. This was a most chivalrous four. The canvas depicted a still life scapes were usually painted from one act of an officer and a gentleman.

It occurs to me that it is pertinent at this time to ask if Dr. Cary T. Gray- Roussel, Scrusier, Vuillard, Mellerio semble it; which simply means the son, now nominated by the President to rank as a Rear Admiral, is less of Ireland) is shown standing and approx. His was a polyphonic brain. a worthy officer and less of a gentle- parently unhappy, embarrassed. Then few themes with variations filed by Ex-NAVAL OFFICER.

New York, March 10.

MONITOR AND MERRIMAC. Sailing and Not Steam Ships Were You may readily fancy the jockeying the romantic, semi-tropical riot of

was a slip in the Monitor and Merrimac editorial article in THE SUN of March 9. The ships that were raided by the Merimac off Newport News on March 8. 1862, were not steam frigates but salling ships, the frigate Congress and Jennes," and, to give him credit for sloop-of-war Cumberland.

The Cumberland was the first attacked by the Merrimac. She made a gallant and spirited resistance, but the shots from her smooth bore guns had no effect on the ironclad. The Cumberland fell a victim to the Merrimac's ram, going down with her flag flying and carrying with her many of her officers and men.

The Congress, with only half a crew on board, also made a strong resistance, but she was driven ashore and finally surrendered; not, however, until her commanding officer, gallant Jo Smith Why leave out the marines? Even which the newspapers have been ex- son of Commodore Joseph Smith of the

GEORGE DE FOREST BARTON. Late of the United States Navy.

NEW YORK, March 10.

G. W.'S FALSENESS.

Not His Speech, Says an Iconoclast. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: As a slight contribution to the curious debate as to the relations of truth and

But is even the cherry tree story true? If G. W. is doubted, where shall we NEW YORK, March 10.

nowhere have stars like Bushman, Hart, great and growing evil. Perhaps, no ABANDON LUDLOW STREET? more enthusiastic admirers, nor are public are not compelled to buy, and The Old Home of the Allmony Club

Condemned as a Nulsance. you not think the time has arrived His color is personal and rhythmic, and a solid structural when with safety Ludlow street jail Huysmans was clairvoyant when near- Cézanne quite o'ercrows could be abolished?

It is an eyesore to the city and occupation of it by prisoners must be most unpleasant owing to the condition of in the handling of his material, not in the building. It is a remnant of the past and is now a very old building, torical elements. His portraits are master. The limitation having been built, as I understand it. vital and charged with character. zanne are patent to all a somewhere in the 50s. Its wretched When you are young your foreexterior, its miserable interior arrange- ground is huddled, it is the desire profound investigator, at ments remind one of the description given by Charles Dickens of the Fleet tionists; not unlike a big man elbow- the territory by called I Street and Marshalsea prisons of Lon- ing his way in a crowd. Laudable we should not complain don. Surely the ground could be put to then are all these sporadic outbursts; he was menarch of all h better use and those that have to be and while a creative talent may re- His nonconformism define confined there housed with more com- main provincial, even parochial, as Imagine reversing musical fort and better facilities elsewhere.

NEW YORK, March 9.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: To decide a bet please tell me what the deuce one of a razor so dull that it can't cut schools. He is a princel ever became of Jeremiah O'Leary, Bill butter. Let us therefore be hospitable like Physis, but any barn. Sulzer, Jack Rose, Harry Thaw, Colonel to new ideas; even Cabanel has his simplicity. Mike Padden, Sam Schepps, Jack John- good points. son, Bill Devery, James A. O'Gorman, Oscar Hammerstein, John De Witt War- zanne's portraits of places. His leaden and the stained radial ten Walker, Bhinelander Waldo, J. B'Gee Rinehart, Jack Sirocco, Dr. Park-hurst, Terence V. Powderly, Mamie Tay-they must wound the sensibility of cal white horses, are well Sergeant Cram, Doc Cook and the Pott-F. W. O'M.

NEW YORK, March 10. A wins; Mr. Jack Johnson is still alive and living abroad.

THE CASE OF PAUL CEZANNE.

Is He a Stupendous Nobody or a Surpassing Genius?

by Cézanne on a chevalet and sur- scene near his home at Aix. I visited

printed in this country. Since then delineation by a geologist

mounted his prices. Why not? When fold rocky pair and gray

he has been hoisted to the stars by certain hall on old

but his pictures, so say his enemics, clous maze of a provin-

tory of his unique gift thus far made.

zanne was given the place of honor.

his admirers, and with him have

cum or papier maché.

rounded by Bonnard, Denis, Redon, the spot. The pictures do not re-

The case of painter Paul Cézanne. | Cézanne. With beauty, academie or operatic, he had no traffer if you don't care for his nudes you may con-Is he a stupendous nobody or a surpassing genius? The critical doctors sole yourself that there is no disputing disagree, an excellent omen for the tastes-with the tasteless. ugiler than the females of Degas, and reputation of the man from Provence. twice as truthful

We do not discuss a corpse, and We have seen some of his still life though Cézanne died in 1906 he is still pieces so said in tonal quality as a living issue among artists and suggest that divine dissonance prowriters. Every exhibition calls forth duced on the palate by a slightly stale oyster, or akin to the rancal note of various comment; fair, unfair, ignoan oboe in a score by Stravinski. But rant and seldom just. Yet the Cézanne question is not so difficult to resolve. what thrice subtle sonorilles, wh Like Brahms, the Frenchman is often once wrote in the "Promenades at misrepresented; Brahms, known now Impressionist" that his fruits and vegetables savor of the earth. Chardas a belated Romantic writing within interprets still life with realistic the walls of accepted forms, neither beauty; when he painted an onlon a pedant nor a revolutionist; Cézanne, revealed a certain grace. Vollog wohave dramatized it. When Cesame not a revolutionist, not an innovator. painted one you smelt it vastly interested in certain problems, wittleism, to be sure, but it registered has been made "chef d'école" and the reaction on the sounding board fathered with a lot of theories which of my sensibility. would send him into one of his famous

The supreme technical qualities in rages if he could hear them. Either Cézanne are volume, pondérability and a revolutionist or a plagiarist! cried his entrancing color scheme. What's Paul Gauguin-whose work was heartlly detested by Cézanne; but truth is the use of asking whether he is "sound" draughtsman? He is a mas ever mediocre, whether it resides at the bottom of a well or swings on the ter of edges and a magician cusps of the new moon. What is the tonalities. Huysmans spoke truth about Cézanne? The question defective eyesight; but discuss tonalities. Huysmans spoke of h bobbed up last season and now this. His its discoveries, as well as health. The abnormal vision of Cezanne gave hir so-called followers raise a clamor over painters. He advised Emile Bernard spondences of tones. He practised dear to the artist. Had Cézanne the

and Vollard. Himself (as they say in Cezanne had the vision and I had came the brusque apotheosis of 1904 simple life. And he had the centricetal at the Autumn Salon the most revela- not the centrifrugal, temperament In his rigid schematology there wa Puvis de Chavannes had a special no room for climate, personal el Salle, so had Eugene Carrière; Cé- not even for sunshine. Think of the blazing blue sky and sun of Provens and official intrigues coupled with the Vegetation, its gamuts To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir; There wire pulling of interested picture scarlet, and search for this h dealers that went to secure this tri- richness and misty golden air umph. The critical press was hostile pictures of our master. Yor half hearted. Poor Cézanne, with find them, though a strange li his naive vanity, seemed dazzled by meates the entire series. He the uproarious championship of 'les paint portraits of Provence pensantlike astuteness, he was rather Bizet in "L'Arlesienne." suspicious and always on his guard, for profounder meanings. He stolidly accepted the frantic hom- ficial, the facile, the brillia age of the youngsters, looking all the him. while like a bourgeois Buddha. In painter—as the jargen goes THE SUN of 1901, 1904 and 1906 (the eminently concrete. He play latter the year of his death) appeared imate "trompe d'ed" lengthy articles on Cozunne, among nerve. His is not a pictorial the first, if not the first, that were tion of Provence, but the sleet

> juxtaposed with most painters his pictures make the others look like lines drab as the orchestration He did not occupy himself, as did as analytical as Stendhal Manet, with the manners, ideas and Cézanne never becomes tru spects of his generation. In the clas- except in his still life. Upde retort of Manet he could have he lavishes his pulcite of replied to those who taunted him with lewels. And, as all things are not "finishing" his pictures: "Sir. I an onion for him is as to a tital am not a historical painter." Nor naked woman.

shamelessly expasing

be disconcerted, in any estimate of him, by the depressing snob- zanne is that of the theoretic bery of collectors who don't know B | who not only proclaim him to from a bull's foot, but who go off at of school, which may be true bull trigger when a blat is dropped declare him to be the greates about the possibilities of a painter that ever wielded a appreciating in a pecuniary sense. Byzantines. The those who go to the box office of any opportunity to escape the extra charge has long been the subject of general complaint, but the managers 'get away with it,' and that imposition is not the winter encampment at Valley with it,' and that imposition is not the Forge he checked his ragged and defended the charge of arrists called it, and it was to come a tower of strength in the eyes his pet landscapes, the is strength; Cézanne is sincere to the though he didn't kil

> are sans composition, sans linear pat- rare impersonality. There is a lot of hand "significant form" by Cézanne's was a twilight soul. And the New Æsthetic a humorless one. His early modelling always been significant in paint was quasi-structural. Always deny Cézanne's processiones. the architectural sense, though his form; nor Courbet's either the Ornana bendscapebetrays a predilection for the asym-sombre flux of forest by metrical. Nevertheless, a man who realist among French has given to an art in two dimensions seems hopolessly romant the illusion of a third; tactile values sharper modern mode of To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Do are here raised to the ath degree, the world); there is "sugnific ly a half century ago, he spoke of his feeling for the musely Cézanne's work as containing the pro-dromes of a new art. He was absorbed of the skeleton

Goethe has told us that the lyric, dramatic, anecdotic or rhe- his limitations we may refor more space that grows revolu- not deem it wise towas the case with Cézanne, a critic finding Johann Sebestian must be cosmopolitan or nothing. An lowing Richard Strauss artist may stay rooted in his own seems monstrous. Yet a bailiwick his life long yet paint like tively speaking, constitute an angel; but a provincial critic is a of Cézanne. He arrived all contradiction in terms. He reminds sic, romantic, impression

recall the throb of a see. The tang of the town is not in Ce- pipe. Oppositional splene Fortuny, Monticelli or Monet. As for What poet asked: "W

(Salon, 1853) she asked: "Est-ce rainbow more colors than or aussi une percheronne?" Of the Cézanne will be remember heavy flanked Percheron breed of painter who respected his horse are the ladies on the canvases of and as a painter, page and Cézanne. The remark of the Empress No man who wields a brush to appealed to the truculent vanity of a more enduring epitaph. Courbet. It might not have pleased

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